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## PATENT

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**UTILITY PATENT  
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Sir:-

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application

- Continuation
- Divisional
- Continuation-in-Part

of prior application No. 09/218,700

Inventors: Matthew Grant Boston, Barbara A. Swanson

## Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING ASCORBIC ACID INTERMEDIATES

Also enclosed are:

4.  Oath or Declaration      Total Pages: 2

- a.  Newly executed (original or copy)
- b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))

5.  Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4B, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6.  Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

7.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission

(if applicable, all necessary)

- a.  Computer Readable Copy (diskette)
- b.  Paper Copy
- c.  Statement verifying identity of above copies
- d.  Request For Use Of An Identical Computer Readable Form In Another Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e)

Accompanying Application Parts:

8.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet and documents)

9.  37 CFR 3.73( b) Statement (when there is an Assignee)

10.  English Translation Document

11.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS/PTO-1449)

12.  Preliminary Amendment.

13.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a  continuation  divisional  continuation-in-part of application  
Serial No. 09/218,700, filed December 22, 1998--.

14.  Cancel in this application original claims 1-14, 52-56, 57 and 58 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

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